

### Be Kind To Animals Week Proclaimed

Today marks the start of Be Kind To Animals Week in Medford. The special week has been proclaimed by Mayor Earl M. Miller.

In issuing the proclamation, Mayor Miller declared "The people of Medford have long been aware of the need for protection of all forms of animal life. It is fitting and proper that we periodically recognize the rights of animals and the need for their protection at all times."

### Music School Festival Broadcast Scheduled

A transcribed broadcast of the elementary school music festival held last week at Southern Oregon college has been set for 11 a.m. Wednesday, May 4.

Approximately half of the hour-long "Singing Time" program will be broadcast by radio station KMED.

The festival last Wednesday featured a massed chorus of 1,150 voices from 16 schools of the county and special numbers by several schools and by the college.

### Smith Assumes New Duties as Leader Of Medford Jaycees

John D. Smith, 937 Winchester ave., takes over today as president of the Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce. Smith is traffic representative for Pacific Motor Trucking company, T-Man Chairman.

The new junior chamber president has served on the Jaycees board of directors for the past year. He also is chairman of the Medford Safety Council T-Man committee.

Smith came to Medford in July, 1953, from North Bend, where he was a charter member of the Bay Area Jaycees. He attended public schools in Newberg, and business school at Spokane, Wash.

**Plan Broader Program**  
The Medford Junior Chamber of Commerce plans to broaden its civic and public welfare programs during the coming year, with more participation in such projects as sanitation and public health programs according to members of the organization.

Stress will still be given to youth projects, such as the Salvation Army summer camp, to which the Medford Jaycees contributed more than \$500 and many hours of labor last year.

# Conservation, Use of 415,000 Acres of Timber is Objective of Forest Service

## Multiple Purpose Use of Lands Aim Of Federal Agency

(Editor's note: May 1 to 7 Resources week, proclaimed by Gov. Paul L. Patterson to call attention of Oregon residents to the importance of natural resources to the economy of the state. The following is the first of a series of articles which will appear during the week dealing with various phases of conservation. Each was prepared by an expert in his own field of conservation.)

By S. T. MOORE  
Forester, U.S. Forest Service

This is the story of forestry on the 415,000 acres of National Forest land in Jackson county. Most of this publicly-owned land is within the Rogue River National Forest, created by presidential proclamation in 1893.

Original instructions to the public foresters who administered the area charged them with the responsibility to manage the forest resources for the over-all benefit of the whole people, not for temporary benefit of any one section or interest. This has been the guiding policy during the 50 year's stewardship of the U. S. Forest Service.

**Importance Told**  
Today, the Rogue River National Forest takes its place as an important part of the economy of Jackson county.

During 1954, some 119,000,000 board feet of National Forest timber within Jackson county was harvested under planned forest management practices. The timber was mature and, like any other ripe crop, was ready for harvest. Delay in harvest often means deterioration of a valuable national resource.

Most of this timber was processed in the wood utilization plants of the county. It helped to furnish jobs for local people, raw material for industry, and income for many businesses.

**Plant New Crops**  
Cutover areas are promptly reforested to start another crop of trees. The successive crops of timber can be expected to continue so long as good forest management and practices are observed.

Other products of the National Forest are assuming importance equal to timber. Foremost among these is water. Water is a public property and is essential to the economy and life in Jackson county.

Virtually all of the Rogue River National Forest is tributary watershed of Rogue River. Proper watershed management to sustain a flow of pure, usable water is of vital importance to all irrigation, hydro-power, and domestic use in the county. Water is of such prime importance its production and protection is given top priority in the management of all National Forest land.

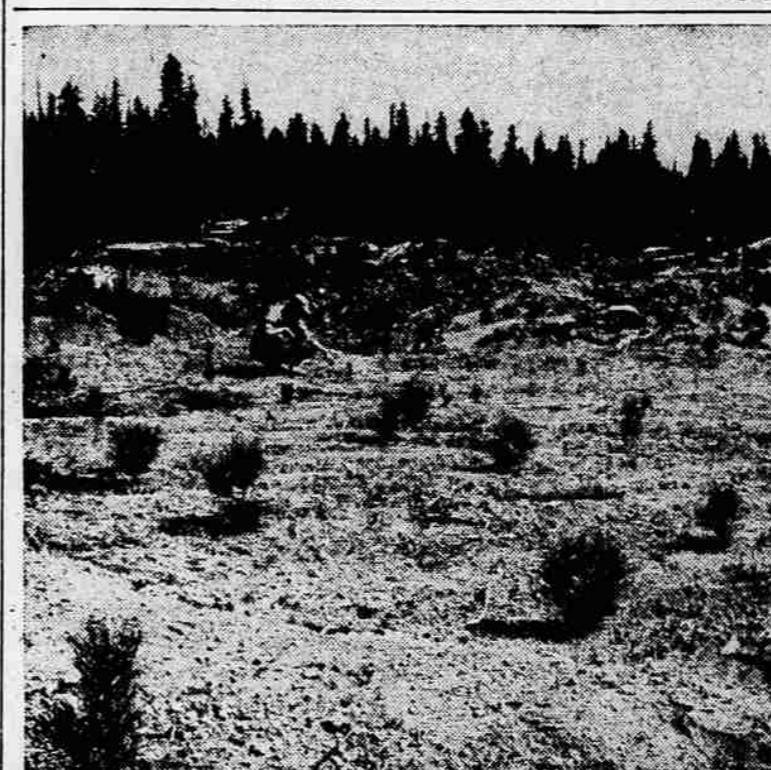
**Minimize Disturbance**  
In recognition of the value of the Forests for watershed, timber harvesting methods are modified to minimize disturbance of the waterholding capacity of the soils. Clear-cutting of the forest is confined to small patches, with intervening blocks of timber held uncut. Road construction standards are aimed at proper drainage and grade to eliminate soil erosion and stream siltation. Cut-over land is reforested promptly both for timber production and for watershed protection.

Recreation is a rapidly expanding use of the National Forest. The mountain forests, lakes and streams attract additional thousands each year. Opportunities are abundant for fishing, hunting, picnicking, and camping. Forest recreation is available to all and the fewest possible restrictions are placed on use and travel. In addition to personal enjoyment for many people, recreational use has become a major industry in the county.

**Grazing Use**  
National Forest grazing in Jackson county furnishes an im-



**TREE PLANTING**—Reforestation is only one phase, but an important one, in the conservation practices employed in land management of forest lands. Shown above is a forest service crew planting trees in a burned over area not far from Union creek last fall. Many methods are used, but in this case seedlings are being planted by hand.



**2-YEAR-OLD PLANTATION** — Two-year-old ponderosa pine planted on cutover land in 1951 in the vicinity of Mill creek in the Union creek area are shown as they appeared in 1953. They are now shoulder-high, and are part of the forest service's plan for continuing efforts at reforestation and continued use of lands under its administration.

portant summer range to 5,500 head of cattle and 800 head of sheep. Use of the forest range by domestic livestock is correlated with other uses in a manner permitting utilization of each without damage or major interference with soil or other products of the forest.

The National Forests are managed for a variety of products; water, timber, forage, recreation, and wildlife. Under the principle of "Multiple Use" no single use is favored to the exclusion of others. In all uses the basic resources, soil and water, are given primary consideration.

The Forest Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture is observing its Golden Anniversary in 1955. As it marks the 50th year of its establishment by the American people, the Forest Service salutes all those individuals and organizations who have helped to make noteworthy progress in forestry during the past half century.

Observance of the Golden Anniversary of the Forest Service has these objectives:

1. To remind the American people of their determined action to bring about protection and management of their forests.
2. To make the American people aware of the progress in forestry during the past half century by both private and public agencies.
3. To help the American people gain a better understanding of the importance and dependence upon water, recreation provided by forest lands.
4. To encourage greater progress in forestry, on all lands, in future years.

### Assemblies of God Director To Speak

The Rev. Wayne M. Adams, district Sunday school and Christ's Ambassadors director of the Oregon Assemblies of God, will speak tonight at the Medford Assembly of God church, 1108 West Main st., at 7:30 p.m., according to the Rev. F. Wildon Colbaugh, pastor.

The Rev. Adams was recently appointed to fill out the unexpired term of the Rev. Robert Pirle who became representative for the national Sunday school department. In conjunction with his full time field work, the Rev. Adams also serves as managing editor of the district monthly publication, the Fellowship Monthly.

In addition to preaching at tonight's evangelistic rally, the Rev. Adams will address the young people at 6 p.m. in their Christ's Ambassadors service. The public is invited to attend.

### Four Mile Lake Up To 10,394 Level

Four Mile lake is up to 10,394 acre feet, compared to a capacity of 16,100 acre feet, Jack Hoffbuhr, manager of the Medford Irrigation district, said yesterday.

Hoffbuhr said there are 76 inches of snow at Four Mile lake and between 12 and 18 inches of ice on the lake. Last year at this time, he said, the lake was at capacity.

Fish lake has 5,587 acre feet in it, compared to 7,691 at this time last year, Hoffbuhr said. There are about six inches of ice on Fish lake and 40.2 inches of snow.

Hoffbuhr said that soil under the snow at Four Mile lake was dry and that no water runoff was visible.

**SOILED COTTON** —(U.P.)— University of Tennessee agriculturalists explained to Turkish Agriculture Secretary Nedim Okmen that the odd color in their experimental cotton was not the result of some new research but simply the city's smoke and grit.

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